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Title: **LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY PANEL WITH WIDE  
COLUMN SPACERS FOR KEEPING GAP CONSTANT  
AND PROCESS FOR FABRICATION THEREOF**

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AMENDMENT

S I R :

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 4, 2003, the period for responding thereto having been set to expire after May 4, 2003, the period for response not being extended for more than one month, please amend the subject application as follows: